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The President's Pen

By Ike Chapman, K4WEC, GARS President

I'm writing this article after having just returned from working with the local March Of Dimes chapter to support their annual Walk America fundraiser. We had a great team of amateur radio operators turn out to help with this event and I'd like to recognize them all. They are David Adcock, KA4KKF; Bill Ahls, AB0KF; Eddie Foust, WD4JEM; Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM; Scott Hartlage, KF4PWI; Drady



Henley; KG4OAG; Emily Ivey, KG4SRD; Mike Ivey, KG4QDH; Buddy Menshew, KE4YZS; Carl Plotz, WB9JSW, Grant Porter, KG4SDR, and yours truly. We started the day by directing parking traffic and then moved out to

the actual walking course to provide communications and assistance as needed along the 5.2 mile long course. Andrea, Scott, and Eddie worked bicycle mobile during the event and give us a good deal of flexibility to get information from various locations on the course as needed. Eddie brought along his portable repeater that was set up in the main parking lot to give us a boost in communications instead of attempting to

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Reminder !!!

The May GARS Meeting will be held at
Rhodes Jordan Park
In Downtown Lawrenceville

Talk-in on the 147.075 Repeater

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Deadline for submissions is the Week of the Monthly Meeting for inclusion in the following month's issue.

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GARS Elmers

Many of us Hams got interested in the hobby as a result of some influence and experienced Ham had on us. In my case, a ham stopped at my dealership back in the mid-80's to arrange a repair on his outboard motor. He had a funny looking license tag on his yellow Corvette and I inquired what it was. Little did I know, he would be my "Elmer".

The GARS organization is blessed with a lot of talented members that are willing to share their knowledge. The following list is made up of those individuals willing to serve as Elmers. Hopefully, this list will grow, and in time, maybe we'll get more who are willing to add a particular area of expertise.

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If you'd like to be a GARS Elmer, please email the editor of the Garzette at N1TOQ@arrl.net or call 678-339-2605.



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- Call the nets
- Attend the Meetings
- Use the Email List
- Check the Website
 - [Www.gars.org](http://www.gars.org)



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GWINNETT AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

April, 2002 Meeting Minutes

April 18, 2002

Submitted by J. Morgan Ringold, KG4PAN, GARS Secretary

- President Ike Chapman, K4WEC, opened the meeting at 7:40 PM.
- Introduction of Visitors: KG4SKK – Jamie, K1FF – Jim
- Introduction of officers and members.
- Presentation of World Radio magazine to Andrea.
- Walk-a-thon - April 27th - parking assistance needed starting at 8:30am. Will be at Lanier Islands. A few more volunteers are needed.
- Last months meeting minutes approved.
- Treasurers Report - Only unusual amount is liability insurance paid this month.
- Activities Report - Next month's meeting will be at Rhodes Jordan park. The program will be mobile setup.
- Field Day t-shirts have been ordered. The price will be \$10.00. Volunteers are still needed for Field Day. If interested please see David - KA4KKF.
- Newsletter - Please send articles and ideas to Barry at N1TOQ@arrl.net.
- Presidential Citation - Barry - N1TOQ for his hard work in organizing this year's Tech Fest.
- Carol working on invitations for city officials to visit on Field Day.
- Atlanta Ham Fest is June 1st.
- Stan Edwards - Emergency Coordinator for ARES - www.gwinnettares.org is the new web site. Next Thurs 9am to 11am - register for EOC exercise.
- Mary - Russian Hams - If you cannot host a ham, let Mary know if you can assist in spending a day with one.
- Ham Exams given at St. John Neumann Church has been cancelled for April.
- A web master for the GARS web site is needed.
- Carol will be the new membership chairperson. Her position as Public Relations officer needs to be filled.
- New Members voted in:
Chris Edmonds - Associate Member
Jamie - KG4SKK
Jim - K1FF
- 8:40 – Break
- Program - SciTrek by Michael, KG4QDH and Norm, WA4ZXV
- Ike closed meeting at 9:10 PM

The President's Pen

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work the event using simplex. We all had a good time working a public service event and heck we all got a free tee shirt to boot!

Speaking of tee shirts, David Adcock, KA4KKF, our 2002 Field Day Chairman had the **GARS** Field Day tee shirts at the walkathon and they look great. You can pick one up at any **GARS** meeting or event up to and including Field Day. The shirts are \$10.00 apiece and we've got all sizes to choose from and since we're using a local vendor this year we can reorder more at any time with a very short turnaround on the orders. Now I'm going to sound like an infomercial, so if you act now and work any **GARS** event between now and Field Day 2002 or serve on the Field Day 2002 staff, you can buy your shirts for \$7.00 each. We got several events coming up between now and then including the Dacula Memorial Day Parade and an amateur radio demonstration at the Super Wal-Mart in Lawrenceville, so you'll get to save yourself a few dollars and have a great time working a **GARS** event also.

We have a new **GARS** Webmaster as of this morning, Mike Ivey, KG4QDH has volunteered to take this position and will be revamping the website soon. Since Mike is going to be busy with HTML coding for **GARS**, he is going to be stepping down as our Apparel Manager. But we already have a replacement for Mike. Emily Ivey, KG4SRD is going to take over as **GARS** Apparel Manager. Many thanks to both Emily and Mike for their work for our club.

In last months *GARZETTE*, I published a list of upcoming events and I'll hope you'll go back and review that list and volunteer to help out at one or more of them. We've got some more really fun events coming up that give us the opportunity to give back to the our community by working public service events and we get to have fun working with our fellow **GARS** members in the process.

I also want to remind you that our May meeting will be held *al fresco*. Every year there is a scheduling conflict with the meeting room so we move that meeting. This year we were having a hard time finding a place to meet so we decided to something

a bit different for the meeting. We're going to meet at Rhodes Jordan park in Lawrenceville, where we have our Field Day. We'll have a short business meeting followed by a break and then what I hope to be a really interesting program. We're going to invite all those folks that would like to show off their mobile radio installations to open up the doors on their cars and/or trucks and let us take a look. Who knows, you might just find a solution for that new radio you're thinking about buying or an idea for putting your radio in your vehicle.

We're always on the lookout for ideas for programs and activities so if you've got one that you'd like to see presented or for **GARS** to get involved with, please let one of the officers know and we'll certainly try to get something started. In the meantime, I look forward to hearing you on our weekly nets on 2 and 6 meters and at our club meeting on May 16th.

73,
Ike, K4WEC

Metro Atlanta Club Meetings

First Tuesday

Metro Atlanta Telephone Pioneers

Old Hickory House

5490 Chamblee/Dunwoody Rd, Dunwoody
Dutch dinner is at 6:30 PM, followed by meeting.
Talk In 145.410(-)

Kennehoochee ARC

First United Methodist Church in Marietta
Meeting begins at 7:30 PM
Talk In 146.880(-)

First Thursday

Atlanta Radio Club

American Red Cross Building, Lindberg Plaza
Meeting is at 7:30 PM
Talk In -146.820(-)

N.E. Georgia ARC

Jefferson Civic Center
Off of Memorial Dr. toward Winder from
Jefferson
Meeting is at 6:30 PM
Talk In - 147.225(+)

North Fulton Amateur Radio League

Shoney's Restaurant
Holcomb Bridge Road at grimes Bridge Road
Dinner at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM
Talk In - 145.47(-)

Second Thursday

Alford Memorial Radio Club

Killian Hall, Killian Hill Road
Lilburn
Dinner at 6:00 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM
Talk In - 146.760(-)

Second Saturday

East Atlanta LAN

St. Patrick's Episcopal Church
Dunwoody
Meeting is at 10:00 AM
Talk In - 145.410(-) and 443.025(+)

Third THURSDAY

Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society

Central Baptist Church
Gwinnett Drive, Lawrenceville
Meeting begins at 7:30 PM in the fellowship hall.
Talk In -147.075(+) and 444.525(+)

First Saturday

North GA QRP Club

Wieuca Baptist Church on Peachtree Rd/Wieuca,
10 AM
Tues. Night Nets,PSK31 at 8:00 PM 3580 khz,
9:00 PM FM net on 145.41 mhz,
CW at 9:30 PM 3568.4 khz
Contact Russ AE4NY....770-457-0371

Metro Atlanta VE Exam Schedule

GARS publishes Metro Atlanta area VE exam schedules as a service and is not responsible for errors or changes. Call and confirm schedules before going. All sessions are walk-in. Take copies of current license and certificate of completed elements with you to all sessions.

First Sunday

WCARS VEC

2:00 PM

(Except July and September)
Johnson High School
3305 Poplar Springs RD, Gainesville
Terry Jones, W4TL (770)967-6364

First Saturday

9:00AM

Clayton County Emergency
Management Building
7496 N. McDonough St., Jonesboro
George White, KN4NG (770)361-6850

Second Tuesday

7:00PM

Walton EMC
3645 Lenora Church Rd, Snellville
Wayne Taylor, WD4CCA
(770)498-7759

Second Saturday, Odd Months

CA VEC

8:30 AM

Stone Mountain Methodist Church
5312 West Mountain St.
Stone Mountain
Bob Verone, W4ETN
(770)978-3179

Third Saturday

CA VEC

9:00AM

Marietta First United Methodist Church
Room 305, 56 Whitlock Ave
Marietta
Larry Huff, WA4CQZ
(770)955-3171

Fourth Tuesday

ARRL VEC

7:00 PM

United Way Service Center
6279 Fairburn Road, Douglasville
Jessie Clower, KB4WFK
(770)942-6466.

Fourth Friday

W5YI VEC

7:00 PM

St. John Neumann Church
801 Tom Smith Road
Lilburn
Headphones Provided!
Howie Gould, W9HG
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6 Meter Repeater

53.110 (-1 MHz) MHz 82.5 PL

Main Repeater Site

Oak Street, Lawrenceville

2 Meter Repeater

147.075(+) MHz
82.5 PL Tone

Main Repeater Site

Oak Street, Lawrenceville

Backup Repeater Site

Lanier Mountain, Snellville

Remote Receive Sites

Bogart Road, Buford
Goshen Springs Road, Norcross
Lanier Mountain, Snellville

70 Cm Repeater

444.525(+) MHz
82.5 PL

Main Repeater Site
Lanier Mountain, Snellville
Remote Receive Sites

Bogart Road, Buford
Goshen Springs Road, Norcross

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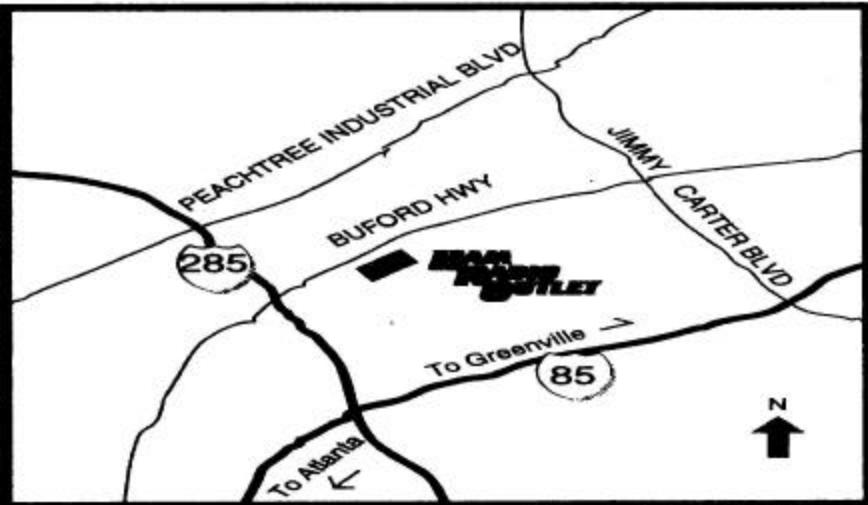


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May 2002
Executive Committee
16th GARS Club Meeting
Rhodes Jordan Park
27th Dacula Memorial
Day Parade

June 2002
Executive Committee
1st Radio Demo at
Lawrenceville Wal-mart
20th GARS Club Meeting
22-23rd Field Day

July 2002
Executive Committee Meeting
18th Club Meeting

Meeting Time
&
Location

3rd Thursday, 7:30 PM
Central Baptist
Church,
Gwinnett Drive,
Lawrenceville
Talk in 147.075(+) MHz
82.5 PL Tone